

Journal of Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies

Volume 8

Issue 2 *Gender-Focused Research in Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies*

Article 11

2020

Announcements for JAPAS 8(2)

JAPAS Editors

Follow this and additional works at: <https://ideaexchange.uakron.edu/amishstudies>

Please take a moment to share how this work helps you [through this survey](#). Your feedback will be important as we plan further development of our repository.

Recommended Citation

JAPAS Editors. 2020. "Announcements for JAPAS 8(2)." *Journal of Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies* 8(2):198-99.

This Announcement is brought to you for free and open access by IdeaExchange@UAkron, the institutional repository of The University of Akron in Akron, Ohio, USA. It has been accepted for inclusion in Journal of Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies by an authorized administrator of IdeaExchange@UAkron. For more information, please contact mjon@uakron.edu, uapress@uakron.edu.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FIFTH ANNUAL APASA CONFERENCE (2021)

*Hotel Millersburg
Millersburg, Holmes County, Ohio*

Friday, July 16, 1pm to Saturday, July 17, 5pm,
2021

Overview

The ongoing growth of the plain people—the Amish, Hutterites, German Baptists, Apostolic Christians, Swiss Mennonites, Low German Mennonites, and others—means that more people are encountering these religious groups in the public sphere. Those who specifically study or work with the plain people must continue advancing our bodies of knowledge through critical evaluation of old knowledge and introduction of new ideas. The goals of Amish and Plain Anabaptist Studies Association (APASA) conferences are to disseminate advances in research and practice, spark new ideas through conversation, and broaden professional networks.

Invitation

The conference planning committee extends a welcome to professors and scholars in the social sciences, natural sciences, and humanities; service providers, including those in health care, education, social work, agricultural extension, law, planning, and others; and affiliates of plain Anabaptists religious groups to both attend and share your research, projects, and perspectives. Such an eclectic mix offers a unique opportunity to compare insights and learn from one another. Thought-provoking conversations, presentations, and panels, all within a collegial context, are characteristic of APASA conferences, and this year will be no exception.

Contingency Plans

In the event public health concerns remain by May 17, 2021—two months prior to the conference—we will announce contingency plans for a

remote conference. We encourage those interested in the conference to tentatively plan to attend in person but delay making travel and lodging reservations until after May 17 or ensure reservations are refundable.

Submit a Proposal

The conference committee will continually review and offer decisions on submissions until Friday, April 30, 11:59pm, or when the program is filled, whichever comes first.

Submissions may include presentations (20 minutes) and organized sessions, panels or workshops (80 minutes), posters, and program/vendor booths.

Session topics are determined based on submissions, although attendees can also apply to a feature topic. This year's feature topics are: (1) public policy, (2) gender, (3) health and well-being, (4) dress and appearance, and (5) cultural competency / practice-oriented strategies

For more details or to submit a proposal, visit the conference website (<http://amishstudies.org>)

Registration

APASA Regular Member: \$65

APASA Student/Need-Based Member: \$40

Non-members may attend the conference by joining APASA. Current annual rates are \$30 for regular membership and \$15 for student/need-based membership. Registration will open after May 17. While there is no registration deadline, space is tentatively limited to 60 people.

The Holmes County, OH, Area

The conference is located within the sizeable Holmes County Amish community. The greater Holmes County area provides many opportunities for research and leisure.

For Service Providers

“What can I expect to get out of attending the APASA Conference?”

(1) Gain awareness of important trends among the plain people, which can inform the nature of your service work

(2) Meet others who work with the Amish and Mennonites in a variety of services (e.g., social work, agriculture, conservation, education, tourism, health, and governance) as well as scholars with new perspectives and data that can inform your outreach work.

(3) Join discussions about service-specific topics from a variety of panels.

(4) Learn more about the Amish and plain Anabaptist faith and culture.

Continuing education credit hours

We welcome professionals who are seeking continuing education credit. Check with your employer to ensure that this event qualifies for credit. We can furnish a certificate of attendance for those present during the entire conference or for the required hours needed.

Lodging

APASA has a reduced rate for lodging at the beautiful, historic Hotel Millersburg in downtown Millersburg. 35. W. Jackson St, Millersburg, OH 44654. 330-674-1457

Hotel Millersburg is listed on the U.S. Department of Interior's National Register of Historic Places and is located in the Millersburg National Historic district.

For rates and details, call the hotel or visit the conference website.

Contact

For questions about the APASA conference, contact Cory Anderson at editor@amishstudies.org